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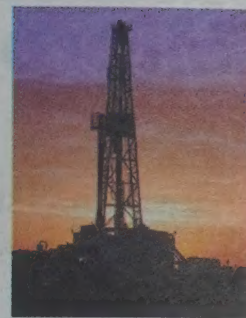
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Vicki Brooker photo

Matching skills

Elk Point Minor Hockey's skills competition on Thursday evening saw players from the two Novice teams and the Atom team joined by local peewee players who are on out-of-town teams to determine their slap-shot speed with a radar gun, see how many shots they could blast through strategically placed targets and clock their skating speed as they wove swiftly through a slalom course of pylons.

Walking trail priorities determined

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point town council had plenty of input Thursday night as they determined the priorities for their walking trail enhancement project. Each of the four councillors acted as moderator for a group of interested participants, as they studied maps and photos and listed their choices.

Mayor Parrish Tung started off the trail information night by saying that when MLA Ray Danyluk first suggested that the town apply for a large grant for trail development, "I told him, thanks, but no thanks. I couldn't justify using the taxpayers' money to match it. When we started talking about it, however, I found that the matching amount could be in kind, and we had five years to do it. With a little arm-twisting, I agreed to apply. Last year, we got the \$500,000, but we didn't do anything with it. I was uncomfortable spending it because it had to be matched, so we put it in one, two and three year term deposits. Then came the Municipal Sustainability Initiative funding, supposedly for 10 years. The first year was used for the fire hall, but after that we can put it toward this."

With funding in place, Mayor Tung said, "We're not here for consultation. We're here to set priorities. The councillors will present the possible projects, and when we determine what is first, we'll do it. If there's money left, we'll do more." He noted that residents had "some concerns. Some don't want the back alleys paved," for example, he noted.

At this point, he said, "We won't be doing anything in (residential areas of) town. The three items we've listed are paving the Iron Horse Trail, paving 50 Ave. coming into town from the west, and stairs and a trail to the golf course. And another thing, for safety, street lights down 54 Street and up to the corner west of town on 50 Ave. That will probably cost \$30,000 to \$50,000, which leaves us \$450,000 to spend. Only through your input can we make logical and cost-effective decisions. We're not here to debate if, but how. I'm glad to have you here to help with this."

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Town gives water spray park the go-ahead

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point's water spray park is officially a go, after town council passed a motion last Monday to proceed with the project. The spray park will be located within the fenced area north of the outdoor skating rink.

The town will now advise Playworks, the park's equipment suppliers and installers, that the project is going ahead, and will also make the necessary application to ATCO for installation of the required electrical service. Nikiforuk Construction Ltd. has indicated that they will do the water and sewer hookup when they are in Elk Point to complete the 50 Ave. upgrade project.

Fundraising for the water spray park is ongoing, and council agreed to support two of the fundraising commit-

tee's endeavours. The town will donate \$500 toward the showing of a movie on the evening before Family Day, at which the committee will raise funds by running the snacks concession, and will also be one of the sponsors for a trio of outdoor movies the committee has planned for this summer.

"It's another way to show that Elk Point is the right place to be," commented Coun. Eugene Buck. Council will suggest to the committee that a movie could be shown on the same weekend as one of the provincial ball tournaments the community hopes to host this summer.

Day care request approved

A request by Play2Learn Daycare to purchase the former Christian Community Church building for a nominal sum was approved, with conditions attached. The building is to be moved within the next six months at the purchaser's cost

to the Play2Learn site at 5410-48 St., where it would remain for a maximum of four years, with the current site to be left clear.

Thinking summer

Council also approved a request by chamber of commerce president Sandy Smith to use the area of former railway siding between the fenced Esso property and the fire hall for a temporary overflow campsite on the car show weekend, to accommodate the expected influx of visitors.

Regional collaboration

Council moved to proceed with a grant application that would cover up to half of the cost of creation of an inter-municipal development plan, in partnership with the County of St. Paul, with the town also committing to spend up to \$15,000 in cash or in kind on the project.

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Micro Novice host eight team tourney



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Review Sports

During my first winter in Elk Point, when I needed to continue with my hockey career, I was searching around for ice time to form a rec/beer league hockey team with some of the other

young punks at work. I phoned around and booked the ice with none other than Orest Capjack. He was in charge of the A.G. Ross bookings back then, 10 p.m. every Wednesday was the earliest time we could get on, but we were young bucks and thrilled to have a team.

Twenty five plus years later, Orest is here again, back in the stands on Saturday morning watching his little grandson, "CC" Cash Capjack play in the annual Micro Novice tournament. Another one of my old buddies from my minor hockey days with our own boys, Marshall Moroziuk was up in the bleachers too, watching his towering grandson Vanden Moroziuk play. The place was packed to the ceiling with lots of other faces I haven't seen inside the barn for years, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, for the eight-team Micro Novice tournament that was held this past weekend. In fact, when I came back in the afternoon, I almost had to park up by my buddy Marshall "Little

Beaver" Myshaniuk's place on Circle Drive, because the parking lot was so full. Super job by all the young parents on this team, this was the first time organizing a tournament for many of them, but they looked like old veterans. Special thanks to my two apprentices on the time clock, doing the score sheet, music and announcing, Colton Van Maarion and Parker Allen. I have to be careful or these two might replace me and I'll be out on the street looking for another job!

Jayden Van Maarion with a hat trick in the first game against Mallaig, the "Spring Park Sniper" Kaden Allen hitting the bull's eye with two, Luke Poulin lighting it up with two also. Dean "the Machine" Ockerman, Vanden Moroziuk and Brady Hymanyk on the score sheet with the helpers.

In the second game against Bonnyville Saturday afternoon, Jayden Van Maarion and Luke Poulin with two each, "Dean the Machine" plowing a path to the goalmouth and dumping one in, two assists for Konner "King Kong" Poitras, the "Spring Park Sniper" chipping in with a helper as well. Defenseman Sam "Spiderman" Rogal and Joey Cardinal doing some excellent back checking, goalies "Saint" Nic Penner and Chayse "Cyclone" Pankiw with some big time stick saves.

A busy week for the Atom Avalanche, who hosted Kitscoty here last Tuesday night, winning their two -game total point first round of Provincials 13 to 2, therefore not having to return to Kitscoty for a second game. The team captain, talented center man Alex Hunter, was on fire, leading the charge with 10 goals, the "Big O" Brody Odgaard with two, Angus MacFarlane going top shelf for one. Wing man Lyon Cueva with two assists, slick corner man Chad "Pick- pocket" Poitras setting up two goals, bull legged blue liner Cyle Graus with a helper as well. The Atoms are off to the second round against Mallaig sometime this coming week, with the second game of that series here on Friday at 7:15.

The bubble burst on Friday night when the Atoms hosted Lloydminster, the Avalanche obviously having trouble maintaining that same level of intensity that they had played only a few days before. Alex Hunter with two, Carson Ference and the "Big O" with one each, "Pick pocket" and Kaiden "K-rock" Evans-Anderson assisting.

On Saturday the Atoms traveled to Lloydminster to play the same team again, this time the Avalanche having a much

better game, the final a 3-all tie, team captain Alex Hunter with the hat trick.

A rough road down in Dewberry on Sunday when the Novice No. 1 team traveled there to circle the wagons, "Michelin Man" goalie Parker Allen tried his hardest to smooth out the bumps and keep the cart out of the rhubarb, but was peppered with the buckshot, the Avalanche managed to salt away two of them, Hayden "Hot wheels" Ludlage made it to the finish line with one, Colton "B Train" Van Maarion bobtailing to the depot to pick up one. Defense tandem Jace Stafford and Fawn Ockerman had quite a challenge trying to lasso the stampeding Colts.

The St. Paul Midget B Canadiens had a 1-1 weekend, with the shorthanded crew losing 5-4 to Lloydminster on Friday night and a big 15-1 win over Vermilion on Sunday. The Canadiens have provincial games on Friday at 7 p.m. at the Clancy Richard Arena and Saturday at 7 p.m. in Marwayne against the Dewberry/Marwayne team.

And now for the K.A.Campbell quote of the week: "I don't think you have to put a hole in the boards. Some guys have missiles for shots, but if it takes three months to load up and fire it, what good is it?" Last week's answer to: "I don't go banging in corners. The way I see it corners are for bus stops and stamps." - Wayne Gretzky, who turned 50 this past week. Do you have a sports scoop? Now you can email it to sportshound007@hotmail.com

Fatality in crash

By Cst. JOHN SPAANS
Elk Point RCMP

On Jan. 29 at 9:45 a.m., Elk Point RCMP were dispatched to a serious motor vehicle collision on Highway 897 on the Frog Lake First Nations. Elk Point and Bonnyville Fire and EMS also attended the scene.

Investigation into this occurrence is ongoing but it is currently believed that a northbound white Pontiac Grand Prix crossed the center line and was struck head-on by a southbound Ford Escape. The lone occupant of the Grand Prix was pronounced dead on scene. The three occupants of the Ford Escape, a mother and two children, suffered serious but non-life-threatening injuries. Two of the victims were transported via STARS Air Ambulance to Edmonton Hospitals while the third victim was transported by ground ambulance to an area hospital.

The deceased individual has been identified and next of kin notification has been completed. The name of the 24-year-old male resident of Onion Lake, SK is not being released at this time at the request of the family.

At the time of the collision, road conditions were good and are not believed to have played a role in this occurrence.

Alcohol is believed to have been a factor and toxicology test will be conducted.

Charges are not being considered at this time.

Traffic on Hwy. 897 was re-routed for approximately four hours while the collision was being investigated.

Forts need new Friends

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The dwindling membership of the Friends of Fort George and Buckingham House are hoping more members will be on board when they hold their annual meeting next Tuesday evening, 7 p.m. at Elk Point Municipal Library.

The Friends is a volunteer group which oversees and assists with activities and fundraising events at Fort George and Buckingham House Provincial Historic Site throughout the season, and the public is welcome to join the group.

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Loyal Order of P.U.P founder coming to F. G. Miller High

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The F. G. Miller High School chapter of the Loyal Order of the P.U.P., "Practitioners of Underground Philanthropy," has only been in existence for a short time, but already has gained huge recognition, winning the Doug Yeo Youth in Action Memorial Award. The purpose of the award is to encourage and recognize student participation in class or group projects in the areas of community service, character education or healthy lifestyle, and comes with a \$500 cash award.

The P.U.P. chapter's first project fits right in with the name: they're setting out to improve Elk Point's animal shelter. Founding members Darcie Cromwell and Sherida Germain decided the 48-hour holding facility needed to be insulated and sided, after Darcie "saw the condition it was in and decided to do something about it," says FGM's Family School Liaison Worker Sherry Bower-Gagne. Their first fundraiser for the upgrade is this Friday's "Glow'n'Go" Dance, with the students dressing in bright colors and adorned with glow sticks as they dance to Rob Hendriks' music. The dance idea came from members Katie Nelson, Hollie Warkentin and Tana Pelletier, Bower-Gagne says.

Sara Hochacka and Donna Krider are also part of the leadership team, but Sherida and Darcie say that. "Without Ms Bower, we wouldn't have this group." Nicole Plunkie and Cheyenne Lawrence were also among the founding members.

Currently, 21 students from grades nine, 10, 11 and 12 are involved, "so we have time to build a legacy and change the school climate," Bower-Gagne says. "There is so much positive energy. Everybody's talking about it."

The P.U.P.s are excited to have the founder of their order, Bill Gordon, coming to the school next Monday at 12:30 p.m. with a presentation entitled "The Power of Kindness." Gordon encourages choosing acts of kindness over violence and benevolence over vandalism, and creating a world where caring and voluntarism are the norm. This can be done, he believes, in three stages: kindness toward ourselves, toward those closest to us, and "to everybody and everything else that we meet on our journey through life."

Gordon will also introduce "The five Cs of remarkable people," commitment, communication, caring, a challenge to change attitude, and creativity.

The public is welcome to attend the session, which is sponsored in part by Elk Point Further Education.

Bower-Gagne, who heard Gordon speak at a Multiple Sclerosis conference four years ago, says she has "been wanting ever since then to have him speak to students."

The P.U.P.s have also forged partnerships with Knotty Boyz Embroidery, and are getting t-shirts made for members, and have received support from the Town of Elk Point and several other sources.

Other upcoming events are the sale of candy-grams and carnations for Valentine's Day and a once-a-month "Girls are not objects" day.



Vicki Brooker photo

2011 New Year's baby

Elk Point Health Care Centre Auxiliary president Bernice Capijack (right) presented a gift certificate from the Auxiliary for Elk Point's first arrival of 2011, Gen Denver Apigo, who was born to Leny and Domingo Apigo on Jan. 8, weighing in at six pounds, seven and a quarter ounces.

Spray park fundraising continues

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Two events that proved very successful last year for the Elk Point water spray park fundraising committee will be back again in 2011, committee chair Valerie Lazicki says.

The second annual Jail and Bail goes the first Friday afternoon in March, that time frame set "because it's easier for most people to get out of their offices than," Lazicki says. "Also, it kicks off the weekend with fun."

Last year, 23 mock arrests were conducted, and over \$10,000 in 'fines' collected, which Lazicki feels is

"exceptional for an afternoon's work." Although each 'prisoner' was given a suggested minimum fine, "almost all of them surpassed it."

Lazicki hopes to have both the Elk Point RCMP and the crown prosecutor, who served as last year's judge, involved again.

She's hoping that revenge will sweeten the pot this year. "I've sent letters to the 'crooks,' thanking them for their participation last year, and telling them we would be happy to help them with payback. I got the first phone call on that the next day."

Lazicki welcomes suggestions of additional 'crooks' to be apprehended

and hauled before the 'judge' on March 4, and can be contacted at 780-724-4552.

The Great Elk Point Duck Race will also be back for a second year, with further details to be announced soon.

Another boost for the water spray park fund is coming up on the Family Day weekend, with a pre-release showing of the highly acclaimed movie, "Tangled." The Town of Elk Point is sponsoring the free-admission show, which goes Sunday evening, Feb. 20, with the water spray park committee operating the concession as a fundraiser.

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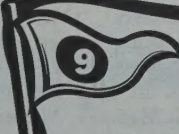


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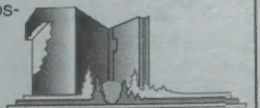
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EDITORIAL

Holding strong

Governments and their leaders come and go, but the Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel and its summer equivalent, the golf tournament, look like going on forever.

Twenty eight years is a long life for an organization, especially one whose membership levels have grown and decreased dramatically along with oil prices. However many members were there just carried on the tradition, making the best of the bad times and pumping up the volume in the good times. Every year, these two weekends have been set aside to forget the problems of the patch for a little while (sometimes, even just for as long as one game, if a curler or golfer was on shift) and enjoy the competition and the camaraderie.

The Elk Point Oilmen's Association has provided a good example of 'hanging in there' for us all. Keep up the good work, guys!

Way Back When...

Snowmobiles, swearing in, seniors' gold

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 1 IN...

1986

Pan Canadian Petroleum's area foreman of production operations, Bill Jennissen, announced that work would begin later in the month on a huge office complex in the Elk Point Industrial Park as part of a multi-million-dollar project in the area. Elk Point and District Lions hosted a well-attended snowmobile rally at Stoney Lake, with 208 participants and Rodger Haeduck, Randy Hegedus, Jack Lorensen, Stu Barr and Leonard Yaremko as the winners.

1991

Alberta Chamber of Commerce president Walter Barranoik was on hand to swear in Dave Yake as the 1991 Elk Point chamber president. Norcen Energy Resources district manager Dennis Miller had much better news for town council than he had in 1989, when he announced a 25 per cent cutback in operations, this time bringing word of 35 new wells to be drilled and an indication that thermal development would be in the works for future years.

1996

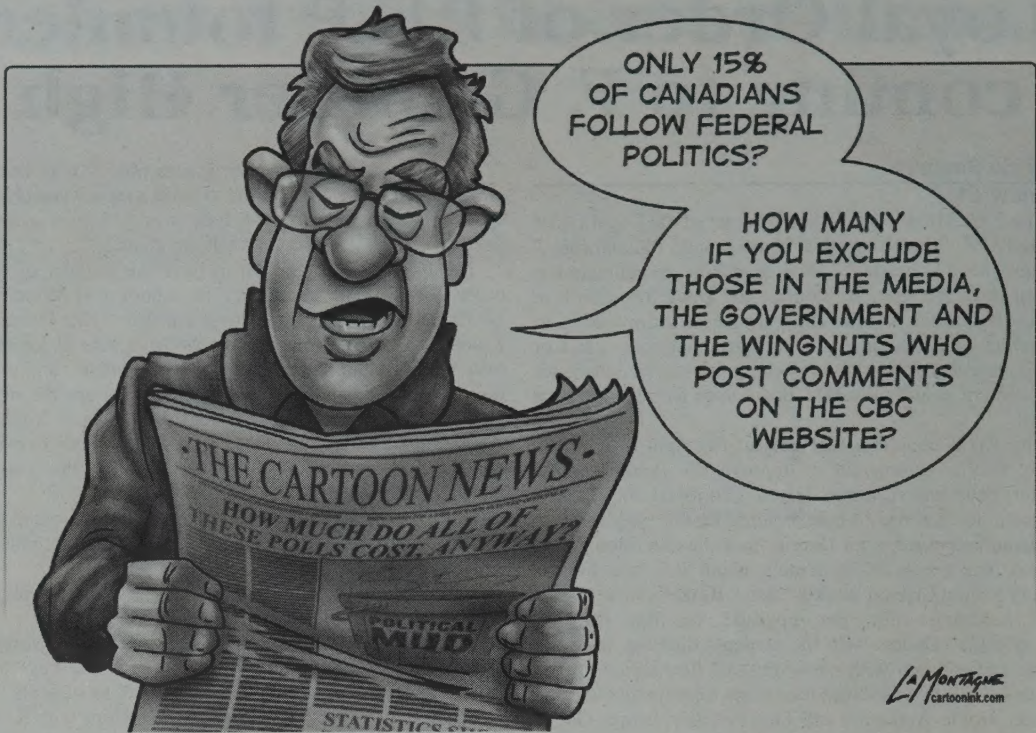
The Town of Elk Point and County of St. Paul councils met to discuss joint initiatives including ambulance contracts, library card fees, firefighting and the possibility of obtaining a 911 emergency number. Gwen Nelson, Pearl Slywka, Lena Stepa and Bernice Bykowski brought home the gold in Seniors Military Whist from the Alberta Winter Games, while Charise Kinneberg brought home silver in Junior Archery.

2001

Elk Point Public Library's book checkout went computerized as the library linked with others across the province, and librarian Daphne Schnurer, her assistants and volunteers spent the day learning how to run the new system. A pipe band to lead in the curlers and MLA nominee Ray Danyluk to throw the first rock were on the agenda for the official opening of the 18th annual Oilmen's Bonspiel.

2006

Jeff Latos and his BJ Services rink won the 23rd annual Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel grand challenge after a high-scoring, nine-end marathon match of strategies with Leonard Gadowski and the Shamrock Valley No. 1 rink. The Town of Elk Point unveiled \$1.55 million in 2006 projects, including the first phase of a new residential subdivision, 56A Ave. water and sewer replacement, 57 Ave. sewer extension and other infrastructure improvements.



GUEST COLUMN

Tell us, O Groundhog!

Tomorrow, Wednesday, February 2nd is Groundhog Day in Canada. Will he or will he not tell us that spring is only six weeks away? What is Wiarton Willie, in Wiarton, Ontario or Balzac Billy in Alberta going to tell us about when our winter days will end and spring will begin?

The Groundhog Day concept became popular in Canada in 1956 when Wiarton Willie became a household name for his early February "weather predictions". Wiarton's Groundhog Day festival grew as Willie's fame increased. It became one of the largest winter festivals in Bruce County, Canada. The original Wiarton Willie was an albino groundhog that was around 22 years old when it died during the winter of 1998-99. Other groundhogs have replaced the original groundhog as the new Wiarton Willie.

Groundhogs, woodchucks, or land beavers as they are known, are actually rodents belonging to the group of squirrels, known as marmots. In Canada, the often called a woodchuck, despite the fact that it doesn't ordinarily climb trees or even chuck wood! Oh my, we Canadians! Wait a minute - did that definition include the beaver? O.K., the definition said land beaver and our Canadian beaver is a beaver who lives in the water and builds dams. I am right? But then again the definition said that all these rodents belong to a group of squirrels, known as Marmots. Maybe we should leave it at that! Maybe, we should just refer to Groundhogs and the groundhog who we want to tell us if winter will leave and forget about his family tree.

Groundhog Day 2011 is a celebration that just about anyone can enjoy. While for many it seems strange and pointless, this once yearly occasion is actually a whole lot of fun for all involved. Even though the event is today largely good fun, it's not stopped many a meteorologist from checking the Groundhog's accuracy in predicting the end of

winter. Looking at all the reports, you'd be surprised to learn that Groundhogs are between 30 and 80% accurate! For such a simple rodent, that's quite impressive!

Traditionally, Groundhog Day was based on the cultural superstition that if a groundhog emerges from his lair, winter will end; if the groundhog supposedly sees its own shadow - winter will continue for another six weeks. For over 200 years, the humble groundhog has been the diviner of the weather. Today, many believe that Groundhog Day originated when German settlers immigrated to Pennsylvania. German and Pagan folklore often used animals to predict the weather, and since the 18th century, the celebration has slowly evolved into the nationwide affair that it is today. While the weather predicting virtues of the groundhogs have been called into question on numerous occasions, the event is still a popular attraction for all ages.

Groundhog Day is a fantastic event that's a great way to get your kids interested about nature, the weather and the environment. Surprisingly, despite the popularity of satellites, meteorologists and gadgets such as barometers, the Groundhog is still perhaps one of the most famous meteorological instruments known to man. If you are keen to see just how finely honed the groundhog's senses are, then taking a trip to Pennsylvania or in fact any place that celebrates Groundhog Day 2011 should deliver an experience that's at the very least, highly enjoyable. Do you think Balzac, Alberta will be celebrating?

Anyway, let us all enjoy our Groundhog Day in Elk Point tomorrow and have a little fun with what Balzac Billy and what he will tell us. My fun for the day will be the following poem I have written.

Blow, blow, thou winter wind
Fall, fall thou winter snow
Each day, snow and wind,
You are on my mind
With February here, my wish is that
You will not blow and fall now!
And to you our groundhog Balzac Billy,
You are on my mind
My wish is that your shadow
You will not see in the snow.



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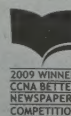


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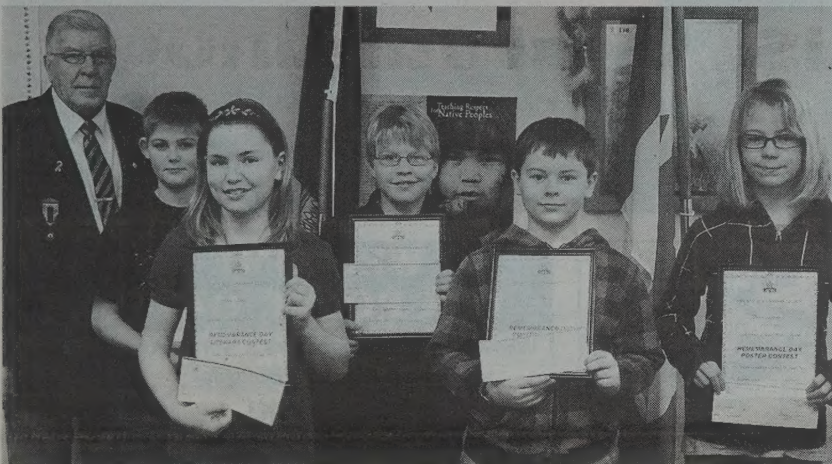
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Remembering is not forgotten

Those who gave up the comforts of home and family, or who gave their lives for Canada's freedom can rest peacefully, knowing that today's youth are aware of and recognize the sacrifices. At F. G. Miller Jr/Sr High School, the grade 12 students create an annual, heartfelt ceremony for Remembrance Day in November. Meanwhile, younger students participate in poster and literary contests sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion. This year, FGM is proud to acknowledge five grade 8 students whose hard work brought them both recognition and cash awards from the St. Paul Legion. On behalf of the legion, Del Smith presented prizes to: Brooke Gormley for her black and white poster, Alexis Bristow for her essay, Justice Hayman for her colour poster, Annika Baer for her poem, and Kelly Sam for her colour poster.



Diane Dewan photo

World Day of Prayer to focus on Chile

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Planning is well underway for the 2010 World Day of Prayer observances in Elk Point, which will be held Friday, March 4 at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church.

This year, the service has been written by the women of Chile. They invite us to reflect on the many gifts that God has given each of us, and our call to share those gifts. The celebration asks a question that draws the congregation into the Bible, into the real context of Chilean lives and communities, as they address the theme, "How many loaves have you?"

Allen Warawa will give a message on that theme during the observances, while another speaker, yet to be announced, will talk about Chile, its history, people and way of life.

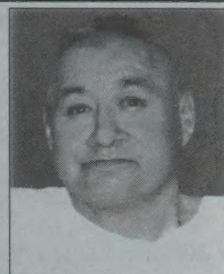
Two Bible study sessions, on Feb. 9 and Feb. 16 at 1 p.m., will be held at the Christian Community Church in preparation for the World Day of Prayer, the first session studying the story of the Widow of Zarephath, from 1 Kings 17:1-16, while the second is on Feeding of the Five Thousand, from Mark 6:30-44.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together the first Friday of March to observe a common day of prayer each year. Through World Day of Prayer, women affirm their faith in Jesus Christ and become aware of the whole world, are enriched by the faith experience of Christians of other countries and cultures, share the burdens of other people and pray with them and for them, become aware of their own talents and use them in the service of God's world. Prayer and action are inseparable and both have immeasurable influence in the world.

St. Paul Royal Canadian Legion member Del Smith presented awards to the Elk Point Elementary School winners of the Legion's Poppy Contest: Parker Allen, first Place - junior black and white poster; Dana Gibson - second place - junior color poster; Abby Baker - first place - junior poem; Corbin Ockerman - second place - junior poem; Nolan Vogel - first place junior color poster.

OBITUARY

**DION,
Henry Edward**



On January 26, 2011, Mr. Henry Edward Dion of Elk Point passed away at the age of 55 years.

He is survived by his children, Andrea Kakecim of Edmonton, Henry Jr. (Josephine) Dion of Atikameg & Dione (Penny Pederson) Gadwa of Bonnyville; 4 grandchildren, Andrew Joseph, Peter Dion, Nicholas Dion & Devonn Laboucan; 4 brothers & 6 sisters, Irene (Gary) Dion of St. Paul, Ernestine (Jerry) Dion & Rose (Wayne) Cardinal all of Kehewin, William (Betsy) Dion of Edmonton, Albert Dion & Gilbert Dion both of Kehewin; Sheila (Clifford) Smith of Frog Lake, Geraldine Dion of Fox Creek, Peter Jr. (Sandra) Dion of Hobbema & Colleen Dion of Bonnyville; also numerous nieces & nephews. He was predeceased by his daughter, Lynette Dion; parents, Peter & Victoria; brother, George, in 1971; maternal grandparents, Matthew & Rachel Cardinal; & paternal grandparents, Billy & Sarah Dion.

A Wake was held on Saturday & Sunday, January 29 & 30 at Kehewin School Gym, Kehewin. Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, January 31 at 11:00 a.m. at Kehewin School Gym, Kehewin. Reverend Father Rene Realuyo was the celebrant with interment in Our Lady of Mercy Roman Catholic Cemetery, Kehewin.

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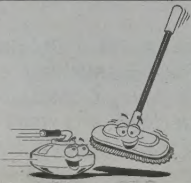
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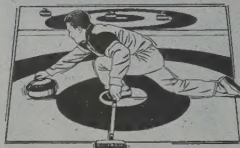
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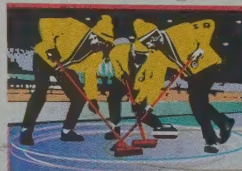


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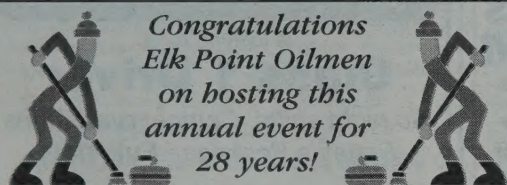
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LAUGH OUT LOUD on a musical journey of the imagination with Edmonton Opera's The Abduction from the Seraglio by Mozart. A witty tale of pirates and high romance set in the exotic east. Performances: Feb. 5, 8 & 10, 7:30 p.m. at Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium. Details and Tickets at edmontonopera.com.

VILLAGE OF INNISFREE, Alberta 100th Anniversary. July 22 - 24, 2011. Activities, pancake breakfast, supper & dance. Ticket available, call for information 780-592-3886.

190. Announcements

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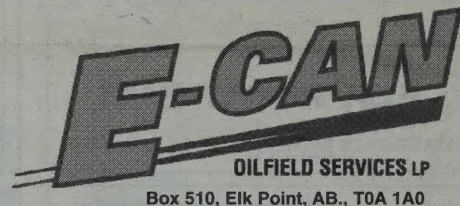
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Council

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Floor upgrade

Elk Point Regional Allied Arts Society approached the town regarding the possibility of obtaining Municipal Sustainability Initiative

funding to resurface the floor in the Arts and Leisure Centre. Mayor Tung noted that this year's MSI allotment has been distributed, but there could be funds available through the joint operating grant. Coun. Buck is to contact Allied Arts president Don Conrad to get further details on the project.

Tax breaks

Economic Development Committee chair Don Schultz met with council regarding the EDC's recommendation on tax breaks, and agreed to Mayor Tung's request to give council until their next meeting to further study the recommendations.

ED coordinator

Economic development coordinator Bob Bezpalko reported that Lakeland College has almost completed installation of the energy monitoring equipment and a weather station meeting Environment Canada standards at the Visitor Information EcoCentre. There is the potential for developing a type of interpretive centre with an educational focus within the EcoCentre. He is working on extended development of the Elk Point website that will focus on green energy information, showing Elk Point is "the right place to be" for information and development.

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3010. Auctions

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5003. Real Estate Misc.

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Trail

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The mayor reiterated that the project will not use taxpayers' money, "and we're not increasing any taxes to pay for this."

Coun. Buck called the project "a great time to do a lot of in-kind work." He is "happy with the concept" of trail development, because "It addresses what Elk Point people do. It's no swimming pool, it's affordable to maintain and we're going forward."

The time factor spurred the need for Thursday's meeting, Mayor Tung said, because it is important to get an engineer on board and because he was to meet with MLA Ray Danyluk the following day and wanted to update him on the project.

Coun. Bernice Capjack's group suggested improving the sidewalks along Railway Ave., paving the berm along 50 Ave. west of town, and installing directional signage.

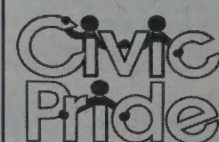
Coun. Ron Fraess was spokesman for a group that listed 'the loop' as top priority, preferably with lights all the way around it, and stairs on both sides of the creek en route to the Elk Point Recreation Park. They felt the Circle Drive bridge should be repaired, and a No Exit sign installed at the end of a strip of land used as an alley leading off Ravine Drive. They felt that a possible bridge in the area known as Frog Pond was a very low priority.

Coun. Fraess said he also had one phone-in request, for benches to be located along trails for the convenience of users.

Coun. Dwayne Yaremkevich's group would like 50 Ave. paved from Heritage Lodge to the county road west of town, they would like to see the bridge and stairs completed, the other three sides of the loop could be left as is, and the Iron Horse Trail should have dust control but otherwise be left as it is.

Coun. Buck's group applauded the lighting and 50 Ave. paving, with third priority being fixing the surface but not paving the Iron Horse Trail. The stairs and improvement of 54 St. were also seen as worthy.

"At the next council meeting, this will be on the agenda," Mayor Tung said. "It will be up to the councilors to champion your ideas. My vision is that next year, we will have a nice walking trail."



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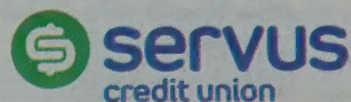
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